

April 30, 2019

VIA ECFS

Ms. Kris Monteith, Chief
Wireline Competition Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Notice of Election of Incentive Regulation for Business Data Services by Western Iowa Telephone Association (Study Area 351334) – WC Docket Nos. 17-144, 16-143, 05-25

Dear Ms. Monteith:

Pursuant to the *Rate-of-Return Business Data Services Order*¹, Western Iowa Telephone Association (Wiatel) hereby provides notice to the Wireline Competition Bureau of its election of incentive regulation for its Business Data Services (BDS) effective July 1, 2019 in study area 351334.

Wiatel is a rate-of-return authorized Alternative Connect America Model carrier eligible to make this election and elects incentive regulation for BDS services. Wiatel is currently an issuing carrier of the NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, and effective July 2, 2019², Wiatel will offer BDS under the incentive regulation framework in the NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 6 annual access tariff filing.

Please contact me at (712)944-5711 or heath@wiatel.com if you have any questions regarding this notice.

Sincerely,



Heath Mallory
Chief Executive Officer

¹ *Regulation of Business Data Services for Rate-of-Return Local Exchange Carriers, Business Data Services in an Internet Protocol Environment, Special Access for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers*, WC Docket Nos. 17-144, 16-143, 05-25, Report and Order, Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 18-146, (rel. Oct. 24, 2018) (*Rate-of-Return Business Data Services Order*)

² Notwithstanding the July 1, 2019 effective date set forth in the *Rate-of-Return Business Data Services Order*, the modified effective date of the July 2, 2019 is consistent with the *2019 Annual Access Charge Tariff Filings Order*, DA 19-246, WC Docket No. 19-47, (rel. April 4, 2019)